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Roxbury, May 16, 1871.

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My dear Wendell:

Frank reached home this morning at half past 5, before any of the household were stirring. Of course, he did not have to wait long, after ringing the bell, before finding admittance. He makes a gratifying report of his trip, particularly of his sojourn at the Park, which he describes as presenting a very charming appearance. As for New York, he was too busy with his accounts to have any time left for visiting or recreation, with the exception of calling upon Mr. and Mrs. Johnson on his way to the 27th street depot. We were delighted to hear about you all; and he in turn, no doubt, gave you full particulars in regard to the inmates at Rockledge, including those at Linwood Street.

I suppose Frank told you, also
of my intention of making you a visit
next week, on my way to Philadelphia
and Longwood. All the family desire
me to take more time; and it is now
my intention, if I can, to join you at
New York on the Saturday afternoon
train of this week, ^{arriving at 5 or 5 1/2 P.M.} — to make the Park
my headquarters until Monday, the
29th, when I propose to go to Paterson,
and spend three days with Mr. Ben-
son. Then, on the 1st of June to go to
Philadelphia, and there remain till
the 7th, when I shall go on my way
to the Longwood meeting, which com-
mences on the 8th; remaining there
till Monday morning, the 12th; then
post haste for home. While at the
Park, I shall expect to spend
nearly every day in New York,
making visits, "seeing sights," &c.,
and returning with you at night.

Should circumstances prevent my coming by the Saturday train this week, (via Springfield and New Haven,) I will let ^{know} you by letter on Saturday, or by telegram. In that case, I shall hope to get away on the ensuing Monday by the same route.

William has been doing remarkably well in his wool business for the last six months, and George is giving himself assiduously to his new avocation, which certainly promises well.

We are all rejoiced to hear that you are to have the month of July for recreation.

Love to Lucy and parents.
Your loving Father.

